GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION NO. SD10-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE GARY SANITARY DISTRICT APPROVING THE TERMS OF THE PFM FINANCIAL PLAN SUBJECT TO EXCEPTIONS AND ALTERNATIVE COST SAVING INITIATIVES FOR 2010

WHEREAS, a fiscal body of a distressed political subdivision may petition the Distressed Unit Appeals Board (DUAB) for relief pursuant to Indiana Code 6-1.1-20.3 for property taxes due and payable in 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners is the fiscal body of the Gary Sanitary District, Lake County, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2009, the Gary Sanitary District and other Gary Units ("Petitioners") petitioned the DUAB for relief; and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2010, an initial hearing on the petition was held by the DUAB, including a presentation by Public Financial Management (PFM), in which PFM presented a multi-year financial plan for the Petitioners; and

WHEREAS, since the hearing on January 6, 2010, the Petitioners have worked with DUAB staff to determine how the Petitioners can implement PFM's financial plan; and

WHEREAS, according to Indiana Code 6-1.1-20.3-8(a) and Rule 7-1 of the DUAB Administrative Policies and Procedures, before the DUAB may grant relief the governing body of each petitioner that is affected by the financial plan must adopt a resolution agreeing to the terms of the financial plan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Gary Sanitary District that:

- 1. The Gary Sanitary District agrees to the terms of the financial plan as outlined by PFM attached to this resolution as Exhibit A, subject to the following exceptions and alternative cost savings initiatives for 2010:
 - a. SD01 Transition to a user fee revenue structure. Increase in user fees are not anticipated until 2011.
 - b. SD03 Align GSD salaries and benefits with City of Gary initiatives.
 - c. SD04 Align GSD expenditures with City initiatives for elected and appointed officials.

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- d. SD-05 Restructure GSD costs for City support; review GSD staffing.
- e. SD06 Eliminate hourly staff.
- f. BU04 Implement a landlord registration program. This is a City initiative.
- g. RC02 Reduce expenditures to the level supported by external revenues. This is a City initiative. GSD does not have funds or grants to cover recycling costs.

Alternative cost savings initiatives – On March 25, 2010 GSD Board of Commissioners terminated its wastewater treatment operating contract with United Water Company which is estimated to generate a \$4,000,000 savings a year.

- 2. Gary Sanitary District agrees to limit its property tax levies to \$6,500,000 for its sewer fund, solid waste fund and debt service fund for 2010 (see Exhibit A).
- 3. The resolution shall be effective as of the date of the passage.

/ PASSED and ADOPTED by the Boa	rd of Commissioners of the Gary Sanitary District,
Gary, Indiana this 13th day of April, 2010	
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